

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **SB 2223 - HB 2323**

February 7, 2004

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Extends the permissive pilot program to reimburse Residential Homes for the Aged by authorizing the Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities to make reimbursements in Hamilton County.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant**

The reimbursement program is currently limited to 17 counties and to the amount appropriated, which is \$525,100. The department currently pays \$13 per day less patient income for 160 residents eligible for Social Security income. Assumes that the department would reduce the number of enrollees in other counties in order to reimburse homes in Hamilton County but that the total number would not increase. The department will incur some costs for contracting with homes in Hamilton County but the amount is estimated to be not significant.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director